

REMARKS

The present application has pending claims 1-24.

The title of the invention stands objected to in paragraph 6 of the Office Action as not being descriptive. The title was changed to "EFFECTS OF PREFETCHING ON I/O REQUESTS IN AN INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM" which Applicants submit is descriptive of the invention. Therefore, this objection is overcome and should be withdrawn.

The disclosure stands objected to due to informalities noted by the Examiner in paragraph 4 of the Office Action. Amendments to the specification to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner. Therefore, this objection is overcome and should be withdrawn.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action the Examiner indicates that the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on July 28, 2003 has been considered and that such is indicated by an attached PTO-1449. However, upon review of the PTO-1449 attached to the Office Action it appears that the Examiner has instead considered an Information Disclosure Statement submitted on July 28, 2004 rather than the Information Disclosure Statement submitted on July 28, 2003. A copy of the July 28, 2003 Information Disclosure Statement is attached for the Examiner's reference. An indication that the references cited therein has been considered is respectfully requested.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication in paragraph 7 of the Office Action that claims 1-24 are allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants submit that claims 1-24 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of claims 1-24 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (H-1209).

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Dear Sir:

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed concurrently with the subject application [37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)] and contains no items of information cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application [37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)].

If it should be determined that for any reason either an insufficient or excessive fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment necessary to ensure consideration of the information disclosure statement for the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this paper is enclosed.

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